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Club Nets are conducted weekly, every Sunday - Information Nets - 9:30am
147.63/.03 MHz. FM; 10:00am, 29.0 MHz. 5SB; 10:00am, 29.493 MHz, AM;
10:20am, 3.993 MHz. SSB; 9:00am, 3.710 MHz. CW.

Every Tuesday - CW Training Net - 8:00pm, 147.63/.03.

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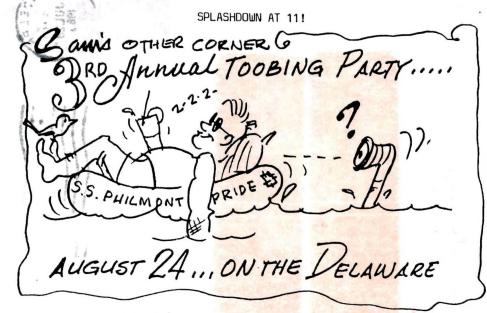
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This is a reserved time slot. You must be there $\underline{\text{ON TIME}}$ or you could loose your reservation, and might have to wait several hours for a new time.

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THANKS TO JINNY WITH FOR THE ABOVE.

No more buy and sell listings from W3BBB.

No more W5YI Report or ARRL Letter excerpts.

No technical articles in recent memory.

No news from Florida. Doesn't anyone talk to them anymore?

No committee reports.

No DX reports.

No gourmet column.

No "TKQ" information. How many of us know the names and calls of our venerable operating team? (Hint: They're all club members.)

The Sunday morning net has little or no informational value anymore. Why, one of the NCSs recently had to ask whether anyone on the net knew what the next General Meeting's program was, (even though it was printed in the latest issue of the Blurb)! (Woody, 'better check your mailing list - we should be able to save some postage here!)

OK, now I'll be constructive. But first - JAKE, DON'T CHANGE A THING! You're great, and we need all that you're doing! But let's see what we can do to aid our flagging mainstay. (First, I'll borrow an idea from our erstwhile Northern Reporter's other publication).

DIRECTORS: Why not credit each contributor, for each article submitted and published, with \$1.00 toward their next year's club dues?

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Why not give an annual "SCRIBE" award for the most published member (Blurb committee and Prez excepted)?

(How about a year's paid-up dues?)

NET CONTROLS: Why not publish the latest copy of the Swap Net listing each month? (Condensed) In fact, if you have a modem, you could send it to my computer for condensing and editing over here ... no pain, no strain. You could then drop the older items from the list after they had been published! (Steve...?)

WOODY, JAKE: <a href="https://www.not.num.edu.

VEs: Why not print a brief summary of each prior month's VE testing session? Not you Jake. One of your other two VEs could jot it down for us that very evening. Just a brief "Box Score". We'll format and embellish it. No names, just statistics. We don't want to embarrass anyone.

NET CONTROLS: Why not let others know how successful our code practice sessions have been. How many tickets earned

because of our help?

FRENCHIE: Why not write-up your thoughts on the value of the VE Certificate so that more than just the few meeting attendees can be aware of your feelings.

(Insert YOUR name): Why not (you fill it in)

Guest Editorial continued

The Delaware Valley is a conservative areawhen it comes to having disasters such as hurricanes, floods, tornadoes and blizzards. However, all of these have occurred here on occasion. In addition, most of the other types of emergencies that amateur radio, around the world, has encountered could happen here.

Articles in QST have stressed the importance of both planning and continued training, so that we will be prepared when needed. Field Day, RACES(pronounced, races-Ed), and ARES operations provide some training. However, as stressed in QST, conducting communications in Special Service/Public Service events provide training that, in many ways, is better than just checking into nets.

Phil-Mont has operated in the past during two major hurricanes that have hit this area. Various versions of our MOCOM V emergency communications vehicle were used during those emergencies. Our Public Service radio operations for the many events in which we participate each year provide us with continuing training for preparedness for emergency communications. For example, the two-day Scout Paddel-Rama operation during July and the U.S. Cycling Championship Race operation in June provided both good operator training and an opportunity to test various communications techniques. Phil-Mont will continue its leadership role in amateur radio mobile and emergency communications capabilities by operating at every opportunity in events of these types. Our Motto, "Every Single Minute," will also continue.

Gil, W3SRU

MINUTES June 1985 DIRECTORS' MEETING

W3SRU opened the meeting, held at the home of W3'S IIM & IIN, at 8:25 PM (W3IRS & W3SGR took longer than planned to get to the Boonies) on June 12th. In attendance were W3's BBB, VVS, PST, IRS, SGR, KB3JW, N3DHI, & K3GNM

There was no Treasurer's Report, due to the absence of KB3IV. (Where is that man? Must we have a special audit?) W3IIN read the minutes of the June General Meeting which were approved as read.

W3IIN presented the new member application of Robert Henderson, KA3MHO, who was unanimously elected to membership in Phil-Mont.

Congratulations Bob!

W3PST reported that from the input he has had from members, the new format for the BLURB has been accepted by all. He said he doesn't have a clue as to why the Blurb is arriving (or some members) in the rotten condition that it is. (Could it be that the local Post Masters don't like some of their residents?) Otherwise, all is well with the BLURB, but Woody would still like to hear from other members of the club with news, etc.

Gil had received a note from $\mbox{W3DZW}$, inquiring why he was not listed in the 1985 directory. It was pointed out that only Regular members were listed in the directory and that subscription members

were not. Gil said he would so inform W3DZW.

N3DHI brought an article, on page 9 of the June issue of QST, to the attention of all present. He felt that the contents of the article had direct bearing on our club and recommended that all club members read it and ponder its implications.

W3IIM made some suggestions for upgrading the repeater and a different membership dues structure. These were taken under

advisement by the Board. (Shelve that!)

W3IRS reported via AK2I, that a special session for VEs was being held on August 5th so that they could keep their ARRL certificates current.

W30BB made a motion that W3EM be made an Honorary Member of Phil-Mont for his past contributions to the club. The motion was seconded by W3VVS. After a short discussion, the motion was passed

unanimously.

Gil then reported that he had been to several meetings regarding the US Pro Cycling Championship to be held on Sunday June 23rd. He said that Phil-Mont had been asked to do the communications for the event and he felt that the club should be involved. He gave an explanation of what the club's involvement would be and the details of the race.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 PM.

W3IIN Hon. Secretary.

THE U. S. CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIP RACE '8

Phil-Mont provided communications on June 23rd for this event that was being held for the first time. It turned out to be a BIGEE!!

Operation was both interesting and challenging due to the fact that; we had been given short notice; the Race Committee was late in their planning; promised services such as ambulances and city public safety/maintenance personnel proved non-existent; and the course route placed our operators on various types of terrain. In spite of all these stumbling blocks our communications were successful and we received many compliments.

Our Club Station, W3TKQ, at the Franklin Institute was used for Net Control Base Station with KB3IV doing a fine job there. Communications were made using our 147.03 repeater and the amateurs from Ch. 6's 145.27 repeater. 147.03 simplex came into play occasionally for local use when needed.

Operators include W3's LKI & SRU, WA3's GOV, IFQ & INW, WB3BOD, K8VIP, with N3EAY & W3BBB supplying back-up equipment for the event.

Many thanks to all of the above and a special thanks to K2SVX and the WPVI-TV gang for the use of their 145.27 repeater during the entire event.

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GUEST EDITORIAL By W3IIM

I just received my copy of July's BLURB, and just love Woody's new format. I thought the New Jersey repeater map was great! (I'm told that it was supplied by W3BFM.) The cover and Sam's corner is always enjoyable. "Apple Bytes" – a continuing feature.

What else was there of interest to me? Well, the minutes also come from this QTH, so that leaves "The Prez Sez", but, well, that

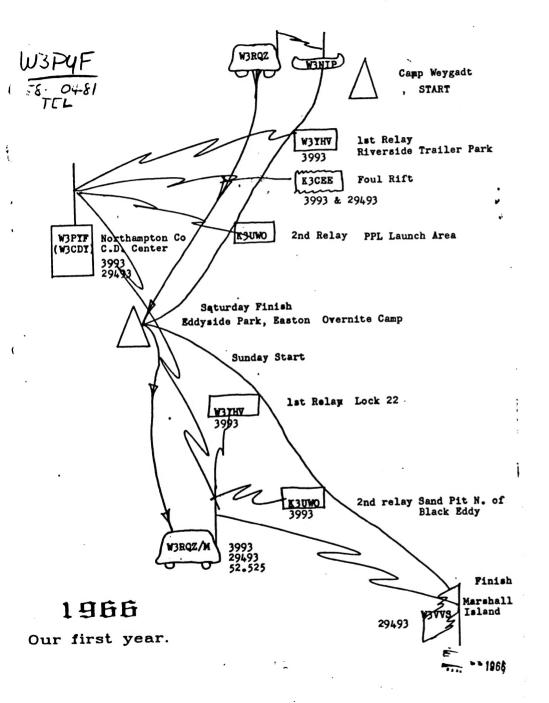
was missing for some reason.

I'm tired of reading my own stuff! Why does the monthly publication of a club numbering over 130 members have only two or three contributors? Let's examine this further:

Within the past year we've seen the development of a marvelous series of weeknight nets which have been ignited by our never tiring spark plug from Cherry Hill. Why, he's even been fortunate enough to have other members assist him with the weekly chores! Now that's great! How does he do it? He cares about the future of his club and amateur radio in general! His enthusiasm is contagious. (He's very persuasive over the telephone, too!)

With all of these exciting things going on - this new burst of activity on the frequency - we've failed to recognize what's

happening to our BLURB.



NOTE TO PHILMONTERS: ANY EVENT PASSED OR COMING, MAY BE USED IN THE -BLURB .- JUST PASS'IT TO WOODYWS PST OR TO ME YOUR HUMBLE CARFOONIST,



TESTING, TESTING! .--- ..--

Jake reports that six applicants attended the July VE session. Four earned their technician's licenses. The other two will keep trying.

Jake's hoping for at least 20 applicants at the next session which will be held on August 5th, beginning at 6:30PM, and will be under the auspices of the ARRL. All ARRL certified VEs should attend in order to renew their certification.

MINUTES July 1985 GENERAL MEETING

The 428th General Meeting of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club was called to order at 8:10 P.M. on July 1, by W3SRU.

W3IIN read the minutes of the June 12th Directors' Meeting. KB3IV gave the Treasurer's Report. Both reports were approved as read.

W3VVS reported that there were 34 members and 8 visitors Paul introduced Marty Hesch; Jackie Chedeville, XYL W3GQD; Gregory Sokolski: Dee Moor. XYL WA2HSA: Chriss Hoch, Harmonic KA3AMO; Robert Zieber, Marlyn Roeshman XYL W3LKI; Fred Aursly, KA3MLW.

N3DHI thanked WB3CMM for the oil change & filter for Mo Com. Rick said the van will be used for the Rooster Picnic on July 13 and then for Paddlerama on July 20 & 21. There is still some minor work to be done, but otherwise it's in good shape. 'Getting it ready for Paddlerama.

Gil thanked Rick for all the work he has done on the van and for

making sure it gets to the scheduled functions.

W3IIM gave an update on the "Bath and Boat Ride" on August 17th at Sue and Arnie's at the shore. Jack has also made arrangements for Toobing on August 24th. There will be more information in the next Blurb. He's working on a Roller Skating party, possibly in September or October. (Stand by with the Rescue Truck.) Of course, November is Old Timer's Night, and if all goes well there will be a very special

KC2HX asked that everyone bring the same covered dish they brought for the last Bath, and that 'The Boat' will be available for

rides. (Wear your life jackets.)

W3SRU gave a short report on the U.S. Bike Race and thanked all those who participated in the event. Gil expects that Phil-Mont will participate again in 1986. KA3MHO had taken some slides of the event and KA3AMO gave a short presentation of them.

W3888 reported that the arrangements for Paddlerama are well in hand and the camp ground this year will be near Bath, Pa. (Is that a

hint for the campers?) He could use a couple of more operators.

AK2I reported that they had 6 applicants for licenses and that 4 had upgraded to Tech. He said he would like to see more Phil-Monters at the sessions and would like to see at least 20 people at each session.

N3DHI introduced Marty Hesch, who gave a very interesting program on the art of wood carving.

W3IIN, Honorable Secretary

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LETTER FROM THE PREZ
To Joel Bloom, Director of the Franklin Institute

Dear Mr. Bloom:

June 7, 1985

In learning of the relocation plans of the amateur radio station located in the Franklin Institute, the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club wishes to inform you that we will be very pleased to assist you in that action. Interestingly, an amateur radio club that supports a similar station located in the Maryland Science Center in Baltimore, Maryland has advised that the station there will be relocated in the near future due to similar renovations being made at that facility. They have asked Phil-Mont for recommendations concerning their arrangement of equipment and have advised that they are considering a visit to the Institute to see the station.

Our Club has supported the amateur radio station exhibit since Mr. Lawrence LePage was the Institute Director. Over the past several years Phil-Mont has assisted the Institute in obtaining and installing the very best of modern amateur radio equipment and antennas. Reports received from our Club members who have visited amateur radio stations located in similar institutions, such as the Smithsonian Institute and the Maryland Science Center, have advised that the station there at the Franklin Institute is the most modern and the most attractive one they have seen.

Amateur radio through the years has played a significant role in experimentation with new techniques for radio communications. In recent years satellite communications, completely funded by amateur radio, have been used for world-wide communications. Additionally, computer interfaces are being used for various modes of communications using home computers. Our Government has long recognized the important role that amateur radio has had in communications development. This has been exemplified by the fact that a scientist, who is also an amateur radio operator, was permitted to communicate with fellow amateurs world-wide during a recent NASA spacecraft mission and a similar type of operation is being planned for the next mission.

Most of the people who have professionally developed the communications capabilities that are available today are, or have been, amateur radio operators. Therefore, amateur radio has a definite place in the scientific field. The Institute's exhibit and the activities that we have been conducting at the Franklin Institute are helping both of us to provide an incentive for the youth of the Delaware Valley to consider both membership in the Amateur Radio Fraternity and a future career in the communication field.

Thank you for you continuing support and assistance with regard to our meeting place and the Federal Communications Commission sanctioned amateur radio license exam sessions that are being held at the Institute. A member of our Club, Mr. Raymond Gillespie, will be contacting you to further discuss Phil-Mont's relationship with the Franklin Institute.

Very truly yours, Howard C. Gilpin, President PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB

MALICIOUS INTERFERENCE from QST, July, '85

Efforts in Congress to put more teeth in the enforcement of malicious interference have been intensified. Another bill making malicious interference a federal offense has been reintroduced into Congress by Rep. Jim Bates (D-CA). The new House bill, HR-2479, has language similar to the Goldwater bill that was introduced into the Senate earlier this year as S-66. The new Bates bill presently has 13 cosponsors, but hams can help add to that list by soliciting support from their congressional representatives.

PETER H KOSTMAYER

Congress of the United States House of Representatives Mashington, DC 20515

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July 17, 1985

C. H. Haring President Computer Himware Maintenance Co., Inc. 528 Street Pa. Southampton, PAC18966

Dear Mr. Maring:

Thank $y \neq 1$ for informing me about H.R. 2479. The bill amends the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit willful or malicious interference of radio communications.

This measure was introduced by Congressman Jim Bates of California on May 14, 1985. It has been referred to the Telecommunications Subcommittee of the Energy and Commerce Committee, but no hearings have yet been held.

I support passage of this bill, and will vote for it should it come to the floor.

Again, thank you for your timely and constructive comments.

Since Pely,

Peter H. Kostmayer

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RENEW NOW

WAJINW, WJPWG, WJTKQ... IT'S 610 FORM TIME. (PSE LET ME KNOW THE NEW EXPIRATION DATES)

HELP PHIL-MONT

ARE YOU GOING TO JOIN ARRL OR RENEW YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP? HELP PHIL-MONT BY JOINING OR RENEWING THROUGH THE CLUB...CONTACT KB3IV FOR THE DETAILS.

WELCOME

WELCOME TO PHIL-MONT'S NEW MEMBERS... MARK ACKERMAN -WAJAUN & WARREN GUSS - WJGQP

NEW PHIL-MONT DIRECTORY

DID YOU GET YOUR NEW DIRECTORY IN THIS MONTHS BLURB? IF NOT, CONTACT W3IIN. LET ME KNOW IF ANY OF YOUR DATA IS INCORRECT.

...DE WB3KOJ

THE BLURB 15 YEARS AGO AUG. 1970

The Prez (W3WXC) announced that the Phil-Mont banquet will be revived this year, probably at the Treadway Inn in St. Davids.

Seems that the Field Day beam couldn't be extended properly because W3888 put it on the wrong end of the ladder. (BBB's been

working on the wrong end of the ladder for years! -ed.)

We understand that PXY has 400 feet of 8mm film from the club's early days. He, Nipper and WXC apparently have documented the the "red truck" quite well. (Hey guys, how about sharing the goodies with the Archives Committee? We promise to give it all back after we put it on video tape! -ed.)

Excerpted by W3IIM

PHIL-MONT DOES THE DELAWARE by N3DHI

The weekend of July 20 and 21, 1985 gave Phil-Monters another chance to fine tune their skills as amateurs while having a great deal of fun operating. Our annual 50 mile canoe race from Stroudsburg to Treasure Island had all of the excitement and suspense of any big sporting event with just 16 canoes on the river. The thrill of victory for these kids is so evident at each change over and bridge, that it sometimes becomes difficult to hear Phil-Monters on the radio because of the cheering and team encouragement.

This year a new dimension was added to the operation of Mocom, by the additon of a personal desktop computer and printer to tabulate all race results, including an hourly print out of canoe speed on the

Delaware River.

We had one minor incident on Saturday with a lost canoe. Phil-Mont was able to provide instant communications, and the canoe

was located and retrieved without harm to anyone on board.

After a hard day's work on Saturday, we all deserve a good meal, and this year Bill, W3YHV and Chet, WA2YDS provided a superb spaghetti and meatball dinner, including a surprise cake (supplied by Rick -ed) to celebrate the birthdays of Jinny, W3IIN and Steve, KA3AMO. While most of us retired to a comfortable bed, some of the troops operated 40 meters phone from the camp site.

Both days gave us clear but very hot weather, which we managed to

survive, thanks to a container of special liquid refreshments.

Congratulations to the winners of this year's race, and many thanks to the Bucks County Council, Boy Scouts of America, for inviting us. This race is in its 23rd year and we have participated since 1966. Special thanks to all who took part in Paddlerama 'B5 and for being so flexible with last minute changes of assignments. They include WB3KAB, WB3KAC, KA3MHO, N3EBE, KA3BET, W2HSA, W3GQD and Jackie, WB3AYA, WB3BPI, WB3JOU, K3PHC, W3PXY, W3SRU, KA3AMO and Chris, WA2YDS, W3YHV, W3IIM, W3IIN and N3DHI.

All in all everybody had a lot of laughs and time to see old

friends like Jim Hartman, KA3AHO ex W3JYA.

**** UPDATE ****

AUGUST 5, General Meeting program:

A LOOK AT WHERE WE ARE GOING a film about weather information and the filing of flight plans.

AUGUST 17, ARNIE & SUE'S ANNUAL BATH AND BOAT RIDE this year returns to their Beach Haven location. All attendees are asked to bring a covered dish. Helpers needed! Please contact Gil.

AUGUST 24. T 0 0 B I N G. Please see elsewhere in this issue.

SEPTEMBER 9, General Meeting program:

UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLIES FOR COMPUTERS presented by Dave Wolovitz. WA3DNM.

OCTOBER 7, General Meeting program:

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS presented by Woody Haldeman, W3PST.

NOVEMBER 4, OLE' TIMER'S NIGHT! General Meeting program: To be announced. This year we'll again be serving a delicious buffet dinner before the meeting. More info later.

DECEMBER 2, ELECTIONS ELECTIONS ELECTIONS!!

..... and for Mr. Spencer: 1986 Paddlerama - July 19 & 20!

OLD BUSINESS

THE BLURB 30 YEARS AGO AUG. 1955

This month's edition included many pictures of the Field Day operation. The top four scores were:

W3HQJ 1660.5 98 Contacts W3VXN 1053.0 53 Contacts W3NIP 972.0 46 Contacts W3PXY 837.0

The annual banquet was announced for November 12th at the Casa Conti. Price expected to be about \$3.00 per person.

Excerpted by W3IIM

Phil-Mont Calendar

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BUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 BULLETIN NET	2	3
2m NCS W3ZPP 10m NCS W3GIF 75m NCS W3PW0	OENERAL MEETING LICENSE EXAMS	6 CODE PRACTICE NET	7 SWAP NET	8 BULLETIN NET	9	10
						Birthday
11 2m NCS WB3CMM 10m NCS WB3KAC 75m NCS W3AOA MARC HAMFEST	19	19 code practice NET	14 SWAP NET V.J. Day 1945 21	BULLETIN NET Panama Canal Opened 1914 22	23	ANNUAL BATH 4 BOAT RIDE at SUE 4 ARNIE's
2m NCS W3ZPP 10m NCS KB3CT 75m NCS W3RCE		CODE PRACTICE	SWAP NET	BULLETIN		тООвіно
25 2m NCS AK2I 10m NCS KB3QE 75m NCS AK2I	26	27 CODE PRACTICE NET	28 SWAP NET	29 BULLETIN NET	30	31
	Woman's Suffrage 1920	L.B.J's Birthday				